

April 27, 2000

TO THE MISSISSIPPI STATE SENATE:

I am directed by the Governor to advise you that he has approved the following Senate Bills:

S.B. NO. 2008: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE TAX COMMISSION TO ISSUE SPECIAL IN-TRANSIT TAGS OR PLATES TO MOTOR VEHICLE DEALERS AND AUTOMOBILE AUCTIONS FOR THE MOVEMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES FROM THE PLACE OF BUSINESS OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER OR AUTOMOBILE AUCTION TO THE PLACE OF BUSINESS OF ANOTHER MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER OR AUTOMOBILE AUCTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE SALE OF SUCH VEHICLE TO SUCH MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER OR AUTOMOBILE AUCTION; TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE TAX COMMISSION TO ISSUE SPECIAL TEMPORARY TAGS OR PLATES TO MOTOR VEHICLE DEALERS AND AUTOMOBILE AUCTIONS FOR MOTOR VEHICLES SOLD BY A MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER OR AUTOMOBILE AUCTION TO A NONRESIDENT OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI AND FOR MOTOR VEHICLES SOLD BY A MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER OR AUTOMOBILE AUCTION TO A MISSISSIPPI RESIDENT WHO MAY TEMPORARILY EXIT THE STATE BEFORE OBTAINING A STATE TAG OR PLATE; TO PRESCRIBE THE FEE FOR SUCH TAGS OR PLATES; TO PROVIDE A PENALTY FOR THE MISUSE OF SUCH TAGS OR PLATES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 27, 2000; 5:47 AM)

S.B. NO. 2075: AN ACT TO REENACT SECTIONS 73-65-1 THROUGH 73-65-17, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, WHICH ARE THE PROFESSIONAL ART THERAPISTS REGULATORY LAW; TO AMEND REENACTED SECTIONS 73-65-1 THROUGH 73-65-15, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO CHANGE REFERENCES IN THE PROFESSIONAL ART THERAPISTS REGULATORY LAW FROM "CERTIFICATE" TO "LICENSE"; TO AMEND SECTION 73-65-19, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO EXTEND THE REPEALER ON THE PROFESSIONAL ART THERAPISTS CERTIFICATION LAW; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 27, 2000; 5:48 AM)

S.B. NO. 2441: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 27-9-5, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT FOR DECEDENTS DYING ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2000, THE STATE ESTATE TAX SHALL BE AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF STATE DEATH TAX CREDIT PERMISSIBLE AS A CREDIT OR DEDUCTION IN COMPUTING ANY FEDERAL ESTATE TAX PAYABLE BY THE ESTATE ACCORDING TO THE ACT OF CONGRESS IN EFFECT, ON THE DATE OF THE DEATH OF THE

DECEDENT, TAXING SUCH ESTATE WITH RESPECT TO THE ITEMS SUBJECT TO TAXATION IN MISSISSIPPI; TO PROVIDE THAT THE AMOUNT OF SUCH TAX SHALL NOT EXCEED IN THE AGGREGATE AMOUNTS WHICH MAY BY ANY LAW OF THE UNITED STATES BE ALLOWED TO BE CREDITED AGAINST OR DEDUCTED FROM FEDERAL ESTATE TAX; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

(April 27, 2000; 5:49 AM)

S.B. NO. 2443: AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 861, LOCAL AND PRIVATE LAWS OF 1990, TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF HATTIESBURG, MISSISSIPPI, TO INCREASE ITS ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE HATTIESBURG AREA EDUCATION FOUNDATION DURING CALENDAR YEAR 2000; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 27, 2000; 5:50 AM)

S.B. NO. 2472: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 73-27-1, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF THE PRACTICE OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 27, 2000; 5:51 AM)

S.B. NO. 2508: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 45-1-2, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO CREATE WITHIN THE HIGHWAY SAFETY PATROL THE POSITION OF STATEWIDE SAFETY TRAINING OFFICER; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

(April 27, 2000; 5:52 AM)

S.B. NO. 2523: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 41-21-67, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO AUTHORIZE A LICENSED PHYSICIAN OR PSYCHOLOGIST TO TAKE INTO CUSTODY ANY INDIVIDUAL BELIEVED TO BE MENTALLY ILL AND POSING AN IMMEDIATE SUBSTANTIAL LIKELIHOOD OF PHYSICAL HARM TO HIMSELF OR TO OTHERS AS AN EMERGENCY PATIENT AND TO PROVIDE CIVIL AND CRIMINAL IMMUNITY FOR ANY SUCH PHYSICIAN OR PSYCHOLOGIST ACTING IN GOOD FAITH; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 27, 2000; 5:53 AM)

S.B. NO. 2632: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 43-1-28, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO EXTEND THE DATES REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT THE ON-LINE ELECTRONIC BENEFIT TRANSFER (EBT) SYSTEM FOR FOOD STAMPS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

(April 27, 2000; 5:55 AM)

S.B. NO. 2644: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 63-25-5, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REMOVE CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS ON THE PERSONS AND BUSINESSES WHO ARE EXEMPT FROM PROSECUTION UNDER THE MOTOR VEHICLE CHOP SHOP, STOLEN AND ALTERED PROPERTY ACT; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN RECORDS TO BE MAINTAINED BY MOTOR VEHICLE SCRAP PROCESSORS IDENTIFYING THE OWNERS AND VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS OF MOTOR VEHICLES SOLD, TRANSFERRED OR DELIVERED TO SCRAP PROCESSORS; TO AUTHORIZE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES TO INSPECT SUCH RECORDS AND THE VEHICLES TO WHICH THEY PERTAIN; TO PRESCRIBE PENALTIES FOR SCRAP PROCESSORS WHO FAIL OR REFUSE TO KEEP SUCH RECORDS OR PERMIT SUCH INSPECTIONS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 27, 2000; 5:56 AM)

S.B. NO. 2680: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 97-37-31, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REVISE THE MANUFACTURE, SALE, POSSESSION AND USE OF SILENCERS ON FIREARMS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 27, 2000; 5:58 AM)

S.B. NO. 2722: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 11-35-23, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO AUTHORIZE THE CIRCUIT CLERK TO SEND GARNISHMENT MONIES TO THE ATTORNEY OF RECORD; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 27, 2000; 5:59 AM)

S.B. NO. 2776: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 43-13-107, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REVISE QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF MEDICAID IN THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 27, 2000; 6:00 AM)

S.B. NO. 2797: AN ACT TO CREATE NEW SECTION 45-33-21, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO ENACT LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND MAKE A STATEMENT OF INTENT AND PURPOSE; TO CREATE NEW SECTION 45-33-23, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO ENACT DEFINITIONS; TO CREATE NEW SECTION 45-33-25, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REQUIRE REGISTRATION WITH THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY OF ALL CONVICTED SEX OFFENDERS, AND TO PROVIDE WHAT INFORMATION IS REQUIRED FOR REGISTRATION; TO CREATE NEW SECTION 45-33-27, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO ENACT DEADLINES FOR REGISTRATION; TO CREATE NEW SECTION 45-33-29, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REQUIRE THAT REGISTRANTS PROVIDE NOTICE OF ANY CHANGE OF ADDRESS; TO CREATE NEW SECTION 45-33-31, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REQUIRE PERIODIC REREGISTRATION; TO CREATE NEW SECTION 45-33-33, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO ENACT PENALTIES FOR FAILURE TO REGISTER; TO CREATE NEW SECTION 45-33-35, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO CREATE A CENTRAL SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY AND TO REQUIRE CERTAIN PERSONS TO PERFORM REGISTRATION DUTIES; TO CREATE NEW SECTION 45-33-37, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REQUIRE A CONVICTED SEX OFFENDER TO PROVIDE A BLOOD SAMPLE FOR PURPOSES OF DNA IDENTIFICATION ANALYSIS; TO CREATE NEW SECTION 45-33-39, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REQUIRE NOTICE TO THOSE REQUIRED TO REGISTER; TO CREATE NEW SECTION 45-33-41, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REQUIRE NOTICE TO INCARCERATED PERSONS REQUIRED TO REGISTER; TO CREATE NEW SECTION 45-33-43, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REQUIRE WRITTEN NOTICE BE GIVEN TO DRIVER'S LICENSE APPLICANTS; TO CREATE NEW SECTION 45-33-45, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO ENACT A DEFINITION OF "SEXUAL PREDATOR"; TO CREATE NEW SECTION 45-33-47, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE FOR A PETITION FOR RELIEF FROM THE DUTY TO REGISTER; TO CREATE NEW SECTION 45-33-49, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE FOR DISCLOSURE TO THE PUBLIC, SCHOOL AND DAY CARE CENTERS; TO CREATE NEW SECTION 45-33-51, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO ENACT PENALTIES FOR THE MISUSE OF REGISTRATION INFORMATION; TO CREATE NEW SECTION 45-33-53, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE IMMUNITY FROM CIVIL LIABILITY AND IN THE EXERCISE OF DISCRETION UNDER

THE ACT; TO CREATE NEW SECTION 45-33-55, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE EXEMPTIONS FOR EXPUNCTION; TO CREATE NEW SECTION 45-33-57, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO ALLOW THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO ESTABLISH FEES TO BE CHARGED FOR REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION; TO REPEAL SECTIONS 45-33-1 THROUGH 45-33-19, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, WHICH DEAL WITH THE REGISTRATION OF CONVICTED SEX OFFENDERS; TO REPEAL SECTIONS 45-31-1 THROUGH 45-31-19, WHICH COMPRISE THE SEX OFFENSE CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD INFORMATION ACT; TO AMEND SECTIONS 43-21-255, 43-21-261, 37-3-51, 43-16-9, 43-20-8, 43-20-57, 43-21-623 AND 99-19-201, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO CONFORM; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 27, 2000; 6:01 AM)

S.B. NO. 2877: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 49-17-509, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REVISE EXCLUSIONS UNDER THE LEAD-BASED PAINT ACTIVITY ACCREDITATION AND CERTIFICATION ACT TO BE CONSISTENT WITH FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 27, 2000; 6:03 AM)

S.B. NO. 2950: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 7-7-42, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE FISCAL OFFICER SHALL TRANSFER THE FUNDS FROM THE CANCELLATION OF STATE OF MISSISSIPPI WARRANTS ISSUED AFTER JANUARY 1, 2000, TO THE ABANDONED PROPERTY FUND OF THE UNCLAIMED PROPERTY DIVISION OF THE STATE TREASURY; TO PROVIDE THAT IF THE FUNDS REMAIN UNCLAIMED FOR FIVE YEARS, THE STATE TREASURER SHALL TRANSFER THE FUNDS BACK TO THE ORIGINAL SOURCE OF THE FUNDS; TO AMEND SECTIONS 89-12-14 AND 89-12-37, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, IN CONFORMITY THERETO; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 27, 2000; 6:04 AM)

S.B. NO. 3052: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 31-7-14, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REQUIRE ENTITIES SEEKING TO ENTER INTO ENERGY EFFICIENCY PERFORMANCE SERVICES OR SHARED SAVINGS CONTRACTS TO PUBLICLY REQUEST PROPOSALS OR QUALIFICATIONS AND TO SELECT THE MOST QUALIFIED PROPOSAL, PERSON OR FIRM; TO REVISE DEFINITIONS AND MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS; TO AMEND SECTION 57-39-203, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TO CHARGE AN INTEREST RATE OF NO MORE THAN TWO PERCENT BELOW PRIME ON LOANS TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS FOR SCHOOL ENERGY CONSERVATION PROGRAMS AND TO INCREASE FROM FIVE TO TEN YEARS THE MAXIMUM TERM FOR THOSE LOANS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 27, 2000; 6:07 AM)

S.B. NO. 3189: AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO PLACE A DISTINCTIVE MARKER ON THE CEMETERY MEMORIAL OF EACH MISSISSIPPI HIGHWAY SAFETY PATROL OFFICER WHO IS KILLED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF HIS OR HER OFFICIAL DUTIES AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE DESIGN AND FUNDING OF THE DISTINCTIVE MARKER; TO AUTHORIZE

ANY HIGHWAY SAFETY PATROL OFFICER TO SECURE SUCH A DISTINCTIVE MARKER IF PAID FOR WITH FUNDS OTHER THAN APPROPRIATED FUNDS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.
(April 27, 2000; 6:06 AM)

S.B. NO. 3223: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 27-25-721, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO CONTINUE THE AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION FOR CARBON DIOXIDE AND CARBON DIOXIDE PRODUCTION EQUIPMENT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.
(April 27, 2000; 6:08 AM)

S.B. NO. 3319: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 27-7-17, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO RESTRICT THE STATE INCOME TAX DEDUCTION FOR CERTAIN DIVIDEND DISTRIBUTIONS FROM REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUSTS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 27, 2000; 6:10 AM)

Respectfully submitted,

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